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Fiscal and Management Control Board Transportation Board Room

10 Park Plaza

January 14, 2019

12:00 noon

MEETING MINUTES

Present: Acting Chair Monica Tibbits-Nutt, Director Brian Lang and
Director Brian Shortsleeve

Quorum Present: Yes

Others Present: General Manager Steve Poftak, David Abdoo, Owen Kane,
Nathan Peyton, Beth Larkin, Joanna Aalto, Paul Brandley, John
Dalton, Nancy Prominski, Michelle Kowalski, Dan Grabauskas,
Jody Ray, David Scorey and Wes Edwards

At the call of Acting Chair Tibbits-Nutt, a meeting of the Fiscal and Management Control Board (Board) was called to order at 12:09 p.m. at the State Transportation Building, Transportation Board Room, 10 Park Plaza, Boston, Massachusetts.

The Chair opened up the public comment period for items appearing on the agenda.

The first speaker Judith S. Gangel commented on extending transit service in Avon.

Next, Jay Monty, Transportation Planner from Everett commented on the Better Bus Project and dedicated bus lanes.

Next, Louise Baxter from TRU commented on the Better Bus Project, bus routes and transfers.

Next, Sarah Levy from Green Roots commented on better communication from the FMCB to the community on scheduling agenda items and AFC2.0 cash payment options.

Next, Jeffrey Bilezikian requested a meeting with MassDOT staff to discuss the Cape Cod Canal project.

Lee Matsueda from TRU was the next speaker who commented on AFC2.0 cashless pay system and the contract with Cubic.

Next, Carl Seglem from Brighton commented on the Better Bus Project and late night bus service.

Next, Mela Miles, Chairman of the Fairmount Greater 4 Corners Indigo Coalition commented on the lack of acknowledgment from the FMCB of the great work of the Coalition and advocates towards improvements on the Fairmount Line and AFC2.0 transparency.

Next, Wig Zamore from Somerville commented on the Green Line Extension, the Better Bus Project and AFC2.0.

Will Justice from TRU was the last speaker who commented on police enforcement and fines as it related to AFC2.0 and community representation on the FMCB.

The public comment concluded at 12:42 p.m.

Next, was the approval of the meeting minutes of January 7, 2019.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was;

VOTED: to approve the minutes of January 7, 2019.

Next, Acting Chair Tibbits-Nutt called upon General Manager Steve Poftak to present Agenda Item D, the Report of the General Manager. Mr. Poftak indicated he was still performing his analysis of capital spending and maintaining fiscal discipline. The General Manager continued to update the Board on own-source revenue, the budget deficit, the Better Bus Project and public outreach and noted he would have an analysis of ridership on the commuter rail at the next FMCB meeting. Mr. Poftak concluded his remarks by introducing and welcoming two new critical hires: Michelle Kowalski, Chief Counsel for the MBTA and Nancy Prominski, Chief of Environmental, Health and Safety.

Next, Acting Chair Tibbits-Nutt called upon Deputy General Manager Jeffrey Gonneville to present Agenda Item E, the Report from the Deputy General Manager. Mr. Gonneville provided an update on Orange Line cars, noting there was a holdup on the testing of the new vehicle signal system that would delay the introduction of new Orange Line cars into passenger service to early spring. Mr. Gonneville concluded his report by thanking Dan Grabauskas and the Railroad Operations team for the best commuter rail on-time performance since the start of the current contract, as set forth in the attached document labeled, "Deputy GM Remarks, January 14, 2019." Discussion ensued.

Next, the Acting Chair called upon MassDOT's Deputy Chief of Staff Nathan Peyton to present Agenda Item F, the FMCB Calendar. Mr. Peyton reviewed upcoming agenda items with the Board, as set forth in the attached document labeled, "FMCB Public Schedule, January 14, 2019." Discussion ensued.

Next, Acting Chair Tibbits-Nutt asked Paul Brandley, Acting Chief Financial Officer to present Agenda Item G. Mr. Brandley discussed the timelines for the Capital Investment Program (CIP) and FY20 Operating Budget, as set forth in the attached document labeled, "FY20 Operating Budget and Capital Investment Plan.Timelines." Acting Chair Tibbits-Nutt requested staff to meet with Board members prior to January 28 to discuss FY20 opportunities and challenges.

Ms. Tibbits-Nutt called upon John Dalton, Project Manager of the Green Line Extension to present Agenda item H, the Green Line Extension (GLX) Quarterly Update. Mr. Dalton discussed the Design Build Entity Contract cash flow performance, the design station progress update, construction progress and planning and the closure of the Broadway and Washington Street Bridges, as set forth in the attached document labeled, "Green Line Extension Update, January 14, 2019." Mr. Dalton continued to discuss public outreach and thanked the GLX team who participated in the holiday drive by donating and distributing 800 pounds of product. Deputy General Manager Jeff contributed to the discussion commenting on the Broadway Bridge Project and associated bus diversions. Further discussion ensued.

Acting Chair Tibbits-Nutt noted that Agenda Item I, the MBTA Quarterly Safety Update was a written submittal and that staff was available if the Board had any questions or concerns. There was none.

Next, Ms. Tibbits-Nutt called upon Acting Chief Financial Officer Paul Brandley to present Agenda Item J, the FY19 Budget Update. Mr. Brandley noted the year to date performance reflected steady progress towards financial goals and ongoing control of operating expenses. He discussed fare revenue and own-source revenue and highlighted risks and opportunities in FY19. Mr. Brandley concluded his presentation by discussing FY19 YTD actual results v. FY18 YTD actual results,

as set forth in the attached document labeled, “FY19 Operating Budget Update.” Discussion ensued.

Next, the Acting Chair called upon Beth Larkin, Assistant General Manager of Capital Delivery to present Agenda Item K, a facilities roofing contract. Ms. Larkin was requesting approval from the Board for the replacement of seven existing facility roofs in Boston, Brookline, and Quincy. The project included demolition of existing roofing materials down to the structural deck, repairs to the deck where needed, replacement of roof structures such as equipment curbs and hatches, as well as installation of new fall protections systems and access ladders, as set forth in the attached document labeled, “MBTA Construction Contract S01CN07: Built-Up Roofing Construction, January 14, 2019.” Discussion ensued.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was:

VOTED:

That the General Manager and CEO, or his designee, is hereby authorized to award and execute in the name of and on behalf of the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority (the “MBTA”), and in a form approved by the General Counsel, Contract No. S01CN07 Built – Up Roofing Construction with Greenwood Industries for an amount not to exceed \$16,946.000.00.

Next, Ms. Tibbitts-Nutt called upon Dan Grabauskas, Executive Director of Commuter Rail to present Agenda Item L, the update on Commuter Rail. Mr. Grabauskas provided an update on commuter rail performance including equipment

availability, on-time performance, and December on-time performance. He noted that the Worcester and Haverhill commuter rail lines had their best full year of on-time performance since the start of the Keolis contract. Mr. Grabauskas concluded with information on the F40 locomotive overhaul and production schedule and the Old Colony late service proposal, as set forth in the attached document labeled, "FMCB Commuter Rail Update, January 14, 2019." Discussion ensued. Director Shortsleeve had questions on the automatic passenger counters (APC) and when they would be utilized. Deputy General Manager Jeff Gonneville and Keolis General Manager David Scorey contributed to the dialogue.

Lastly, Acting Chair Tibbits-Nutt called upon Wes Edwards, Assistant General for Service Planning and Schedules to present Agenda Item M, the Better Bus Update. Mr. Edwards updated the Board on the Better Bus Project work plan including the timeline release of near-term proposals to improve bus routes across the system and the public engagement strategy through winter/spring 2019. He noted the Project Team was seeking the Board's feedback of this plan and would be releasing the State of the System Report and market analysis on January 28, 2019. Mr. Edwards continued to discuss public engagement strategies and timeline and concluded with key next steps, as set forth in the attached document labeled, "Better Bus Project Update, January 14, 2019." Discussion ensued.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was;

VOTED: to adjourn at 1:49 p.m.

Documents relied upon for this meeting:

Minutes of January 7, 2019

Deputy GM Remarks, January 14, 2019

FMCB Public Schedule, January 14, 2019

FY20 Operating Budget and Capital Investment Plan.Timelines

Green Line Extension Update, January 14, 2019

MBTA Quarterly Safety Report, January 14, 2019

FY19 Operating Budget Update

MBTA Construction Contract S01CN07: Built-Up Roofing Construction, January 14, 2019

FMCB Commuter Rail Update, January 14, 2019

Better Bus Project Update, January 14, 2019